

The Village of Cold Spring Code Update Committee (CUC) held a meeting on June 15, 2016 at 7pm at the Village Hall, 85 Main St.

Attending were board members: Paul Henderson, Ethan Timm, Nora Hart, Carolyn Bachan and Trustee Marie Early. Absent: Donald McDonald.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. M. Early called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.
- b. M. Early told the group that work on the public hearing presentation will not be completed in time for a public meeting on June 29, 2016.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. After a brief discussion, E. Timm made a motion to accept the June 1, 2016 meeting minutes as amended. C. Bachan seconded and the minutes were approved; N. Hart abstained since she was absent for that meeting.

3. PRESENTATION FOR PUBLIC MEETING – review and discussion of the draft presentation sections. It was agreed that:

- all wording should be easily understandable by community members attending the presentation, who may not be versed in the language of the Code.
 - wherever possible, each topic should include examples and/or illustrations.
 - topics should include references to the relevant current code and CP/LWRS sections.
 - Slides will use Calibri 12 pt.
- a. Permitted Uses, prepared by P. Henderson.
 - i. Discussion and minor wording changes to item nos. 1-3.
 - ii. Item no. 4 – I-2 District will include heavy industry.
 - iii. Item no. 5 – PR-1 District. E. Timm suggested that the green area at the end of Main Street (on the east side of the RR tracks) and the green area on the west side of the RR tracks be included in this district.
 - iv. Discussion occurred relative to the Hotel-Historic-Recreation district
 - v. There was extensive discussion on the properties in the I-1 district, including Metro-North.
 - b. Home Occupations, prepared by P. Henderson
 - i. Discussion and minor wording changes
 - c. Main St. Storefront Buildings, prepared by C. Bachan
 - i. Discussion, but no changes were suggested.
 - d. Building Accessory, prepared by C. Bachan.

- i. It was decided that under “What”, item A.2 (regarding garages) should be removed.
 - ii. It was suggested that the wording be revised to be less code-speak and more easily understood by lay people.
- e. Waterfront Recreation, prepared by E. Timm.
 - i. Discussion, but no changes were made.
- f. Detached Garage Height, prepared by E. Timm.
 - i. It was suggested that examples be provided in the “How” section pertaining to regulation of detached garage height.
 - ii. It was suggested that the “Where” and “How” section pertaining to the detached garage setbacks include references to the Comprehensive Plan and current Code.
- g. Parking, prepared by Nora Hart.
 - i. The “Where” section for two and multi-family dwelling should include: R-1, R-3, B-1, B-2 and I-1.
 - ii. Parking *Requirements* for Restaurants should be changed to Parking *Waivers* for Restaurants.
 - iii. There was a discussion of the merits of requiring an annual parking waiver rather than the current one-time payment. CUC consensus is this is a good idea, but an appropriate waiver fee was not specifically discussed. N. Hart expressed concern about the unfairness of the current waiver system where grandfathered businesses pay no fee, compared to what new businesses must pay. E. Timm said this approach will stifle new business development and noted that the waiver system has no impact upon the number of available parking spaces in the village.
- 4. At 8:07pm C. Bachan left the meeting.
- 5. Public Comment - none.
- 6. Old Business – none.
- 7. New Business – none.
- 8. The meeting adjourned at 9pm.
- 9. The next meeting of the CUC will be on June 29, 2016. At this meeting a GO/NO GO decision will be made regarding the date for the public meeting.

Submitted by: Michael Mell